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**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION OF
AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION**

This is a request for filing a **continuation** under 37 CFR 1.53(b), 35 USC 365(c) and 35 USC 120 of pending prior **International Application No. PCT/JP02/05786**, filed on **June 11, 2002**,

entitled: **AN ELECTRON BEAM APPARATUS AND A DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD BY USING SAID ELECTRON BEAM APPARATUS**, which designates the United States.

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The following is enclosed or is applicable:

XX Specification - 62 pages, Claims - 7 pages, Abstract - 1 page.

XX Drawings - 12 sheets of drawings.

XX Declaration and Power of Attorney.

XX An assignment of the invention to **EBARA CORPORATION, Tokyo, Japan**

Please publish the assignee data with the application.

XX Preliminary Amendment.

XX Priority under 35 USC 119 based on Japanese Applications No. 2001-181955, filed on June 15, 2001; No. 2001-192597, filed on June 26, 2001; No. 2001-269880, filed on September 6, 2001; No. 2001-270935, filed on September 6, 2001 and No. 2001-273078, filed on September 10, 2001.

XX Priority under 35 USC 120 claimed based on International Application No. PCT/JP02/05786, filed on June 11, 2002.

XX A filing fee, calculated as shown below:

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee \$770.00
Total Claims	26-20	6	x 18.00	108.00
Independent Claims	1- 3	0	x 86.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims			290.00	
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XX Our check in the amount of **\$918.00** for patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 is enclosed. (\$770.00 for basic filing fee; \$108.00 for 6 additional claims and \$40.00 for the assignment recordation fee).

XX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2866. A duplicate of this sheet is attached.

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Enclosures: Spec.; Clms.; Abstr.; Decl.; Assign.; Pre-Amend.; Draws. (12 sheets).